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arbitrary assignment of costs to particular groups of service, which may retard the economical utilization of the plant and equipment and would result in greater joint costs to be absorbed by all other classes of consumers. The statement of principle, however, is one thing, but practical application is quite another. Differentiation readily shades into discrimination and unjustified rate competition, which in the past characterized the railway freight rates and has by no means been absent from the electrical business. This danger, however, is clearly recognized by Dr. Watkins; but with clear understanding of the danger and with readiness to adjust rates that prove to be uneconomical, the principle of rate differentiation appears to be sound and should control in the establishment of electrical rate schedules. In any event, the principle can be worked out only through a very large amount of practical experimentation.

The book will undoubtedly be read chiefly by specialists interested in electrical rate making. It should be of interest and great value, however, also to the general economist in that in presents the difficulties of price making in a great modern industry. It furnishes an excellent opportunity to match up very carefully one's ideas of marginal utility or supply and demand in determining actual prices charged in the sale of an important service.

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